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SUBJ: WEST AFRICAN COMMERCIAL CONFERENCE - ABIDJAN

REF: STATE 007002

1. PROPOSED DATES FOR WEST AFRICAN COMMERCIAL CONFERENCE IN ABIDJAN FEBRUARY 20 THROUGH 22 ARE ACCEPTABLE. QUEEN JULIAN OF THE NETHERLANDS AND PRICE CONSORT WILL BE ON STATE VISIT TO IVORY COAST DURING THAT PERIOD, BUT WE PERCEIVE NO PROBLEMS IN MEETING LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS.

2. HOTEL: IVOIRE HOTEL OFFERS CONFERENCE ROOM AT NO COST PROVIDED ALL PARTICIPANTS STAY AT IVOIRE. SINCE EMBASSY'S CONFERENCE IS NOT AIRCONDITIONED, WE PROPOSE TO ACCEPT HOTEL IVOIRE OFFER.

3. TRANSPORTATION: WITH CONFERENCE ROOM IN HOTEL WE EXPECT NO TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM.

4. SECRETARIAL SUPPORT: EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE AMERICAN SECRETARY TO TRANSCRIBE NOTES OF CONFERENCE REPORTING OFFICER.

5. REPRESENTATION FUNDS: WE ARE ASSUMING CONFERENCE WILL BE WORKING CONFERENCE BETWEEN AMERICAN OFFICERS AND WILL NOT INCLUDE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION FUNCTIONS. IF DEPARTMENT OR COMMERCE VISUALIZE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION, POST WOULD REQUIRE SPECIAL FUNDS AS WE HAVE NO REPEAT NO REPRESENTATION FUNDS FOR THIRD QUARTER.

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6. CONTROL OFFICER WILL BE ECON/COMMERCIAL CHIEF JOHN FERRITER.

7. CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE URGED TO OBTAIN IVORY
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